

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yoshinobu SAITO et al.

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For: NOVEL SURFACTANT AND
ITS USE

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Examiner: DELCOTTO, GREGORY R

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Amendment and RCE under 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to a final office action mailed July 28, 2008 for the above-identified application, please accept this RCE and amendment filed under 37 CFR 1.114.

On December 29, 2008 (a Monday) a two month extension of time payment was made. Also, on December 29, 2008, a Notice of Appeal and appeal fee payment was made. Accordingly, this application is pending through February 29, 2009 and additional extension of time fees are believed not required for this RCE.

An RCE filing fee payment under 37 CFR 1.17(e) of \$405 is made. Please charge any shortage in fees related to the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 50-4257. Please credit any excess fees paid to such account.

Please reconsider based on the following remarks and enclosed declaration under Rule 132.